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<b>Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Applicant(s)</b>
	09/517,981	BEARCROFT ET AL.
	<b>Examiner</b>	<b>Art Unit</b>
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**All Participants:**

**Status of Application:** \_\_\_\_\_

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(2) Melissa Sistrunk.

(4) \_\_\_\_\_.

**Date of Interview:** 25 June 2003

**Time:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Type of Interview:**

Telephonic  
 Video Conference  
 Personal (Copy given to:  Applicant     Applicant's representative)

**Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated:**  Yes     No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

**Part I.**

**Rejection(s) discussed:**

*The final rejection being premature and the 102 rejection of the claims as anticipated by Black et al.*

**Claims discussed:**

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**Prior art documents discussed:**

*Black et al.*

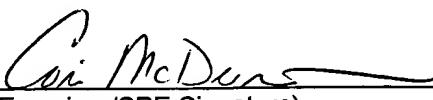
**Part II.**

**SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:**

*See Continuation Sheet*

**Part III.**

It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.  
 It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

  
 (Examiner/SPE Signature)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: SPE agreed that the final rejection was premature, the finality will be withdrawn. Discussed Black et al. and agreed that the reference does not teach circular cross-section, however, it clearly states that oval is only preferable. Black et al. could be used in a 103 rejection. It was further pointed out to Applicant's representative that there might not be any support in the specification for the limitation "no more than six", and that such language broadly encompasses 0, in which case, Black et al. would be maintained as a 102 against claim 1..